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Sir:

In response to a telephone call from Examiner McPherson, attached hereto is a copy of the Amendment filed on May 9, 2004, as well as the Notice of Appeal filed on April 8, 2004, along with the stamped postcard receipts evidencing the timeliness of the respective filings. *Apparently these documents have been misplaced at the USPTO.*

No additional fees should be required at this time. If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for

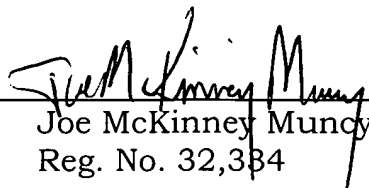
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any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly,
extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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